

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

SHAWN DALE NANEZ,

Plaintiff,

v.

PENELOPE SAPP, *et al.*,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 3:24-cv-05293-RSL-GJL

ORDER APPOINTING  
VOLUNTARY PRO BONO  
COUNSEL

The District Court has referred this 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action to United States Magistrate Judge Grady J. Leupold. On February 6, 2025, the Court concluded appointment of voluntary *pro bono* counsel would be in the interest of justice and **CONDITIONALLY GRANTED** Plaintiff Shawn Dale Nanez’s Motion for Appointment of Counsel. Dkt. 47. The appointment of counsel was “contingent on the Court being able to locate an attorney willing to represent [Plaintiff] *pro bono* in this case.” *Id.* at 1. The matter was then referred to the *Pro Bono* Panel “to identify an attorney who is available and willing to accept a voluntary appointment in this action.” *Id.* at 2. The Court has now been advised that *pro bono* counsel willing to represent Plaintiff in this action has been identified.

Accordingly, the Court **ORDERS** as follows:

1. The Court hereby **APPOINTS Kelly Ann Mennemeier** (Foster Garvey PC, 1111 3rd Avenue, STE 3000, Seattle, WA 98101, (206) 447-4694, kelly.mennemeier@foster.com) as *pro bono* counsel for Plaintiff Shawn Dale Nanez.
2. The above-appointed counsel is **DIRECTED** to file a Notice of Appearance **within ten (10) calendar days** from the date of this Order. If counsel is unable to assume this representation, a motion for relief from appointment should immediately be filed.

All case deadlines remain **STAYED** until after the above-appointed counsel has entered a notice of appearance or sought relief from appointment.

Finally, the Clerk is **DIRECTED** to send a copy of this Order to Plaintiff, to counsel for both sides, and to the Honorable Robert S. Lasnik.

Dated this 1st day of April, 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Grady J. Leupold', is written over a solid horizontal line.

Grady J. Leupold  
United States Magistrate Judge